

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Mr. Michael E. Shope Environmental Program Manager Federal Bureau of Investigation Quantico, VA 22135

RE:

Plan for Self- Implementing On-Site Cleanup of PCB Remediation Waste from the Air Handling Unit Replacement, Building 6 at the FBI Academy, Quantico, Virginia, EPA Case Tracking No. 2014-61-003

Dear Mr. Shope:

This letter is in response to the FBI Training Academy, Quantico VA, Plan for Self-Implementing On-Site Cleanup of PCB Remediation Waste from the Air Handling Unit Replacement, Building 6, dated April 1, 2014 ("Plan"), provided to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III ("EPA") pursuant to the requirements of the *Self-implementing onsite cleanup and disposal of PCB remediation waste* regulation, 40 C.F.R. § 761.61(a). This Plan was received by the Land and Chemicals Division on April 29, 2014, regarding the FBI Training Academy's plan to clean up and dispose of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) waste located in the FBI Training Academy, Quantico, Virginia.

EPA has reviewed the FBI's Plan for Self-Implementing On-Site Cleanup for the air handling unit ("AHU") replacement throughout Building 6 of the FBI Training Academy site and finds that with the exception of the alternate sampling procedures to be used to verify completion of the remediation, it is consistent with the requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 761.61(a). EPA finds that this alternative sampling approach will create no unreasonable risk under the PCB regulations and the conditions of this approval. EPA approves the alternative sampling under 40 CFR §761.61(c).

This approval relates only to the removal of the PCB contaminated materials associated with the replacement of the air handling units (duct liner and insulation, paint, door gaskets, vibration dampers, caulk, black duct coatings, foam rubber on duct joints, and interior duct insulation) found throughout Building 6.

EPA is aware that there are several other PCB concerns at the FBI Academy, which are not addressed in this Plan. This approval is issued with the understanding that the following issues will be addressed in future submissions to EPA Region 3 by the FBI Training Academy: the identification, characterization, and disposition of PCB contaminated duct lining/insulation,

HVAC gasket material, vibration dampeners, caulk on HVAC systems, foam rubber on duct work, paint on HVAC equipment and floors, window caulk, and associated PCB contaminated dust throughout the rest of the facility.

EPA's approval of the FBI's Plan does not in any way constitute a finding by EPA that the FBI Training Academy site will be safe or appropriate for any future use, does not insulate the owner or occupant of the property from action under any applicable law, and does not relieve the FBI, or any other owner or operator of the FBI Training Academy site of its continuing responsibility to comply fully with 40 C.F.R. Part 761. EPA emphasizes that these regulations include several conditions and limitations that apply to persons performing a PCB cleanup activity subject to 40 C.F.R. § 761.61(a). Among other things, the regulations state that "[c]omplete compliance with 40 C.F.R. § 761.61 does not create a presumption against enforcement action for penalties for any unauthorized PCB disposal," 40 C.F.R. § 761.50(b)(3)(ii)(B). Further, "[a]ny person storing or disposing of PCBs is also responsible for determining and complying with all other applicable Federal, state, and local laws and regulations," 40 C.F.R. § 761.50(a)(6).

EPA is requesting that a brief summary of the completed cleanup activities, including but not limited to, characterization and confirmation sampling analytical results; copies of the accompanying analytical chains of custody; field and laboratory quality control/quality assurance checks; copies of manifests; copies of certificates of disposal or similar certifications issued by the disposer and total amounts of PCB waste disposed, be submitted within 90 days of completion to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III Kyle Chelius (3LC61) Land and Chemicals Division 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

Any questions concerning this approval or the self-implementing site cleanup plan review should be directed to Kyle Chelius, TSCA Compliance Officer, at (215) 814-3178.

Sincerely,

John Armstead, Director Land and Chemicals Division

Ms. Patricia McMurray (Virginia DEQ)

cc: